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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant respectfully requests a two month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) within which to respond to the Office Action mailed October 22, 2002. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed with this document.

Please charge the extension fee of \$410 to Deposit Account No. 07-1765. The undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge to Deposit Account No. 07-1765 any additional fees which are deemed to be required, and/or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1765.

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